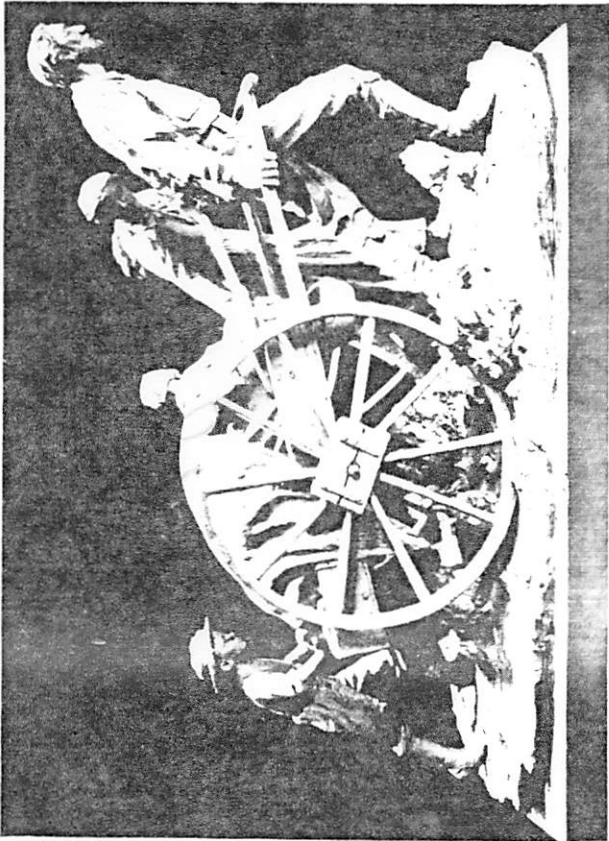


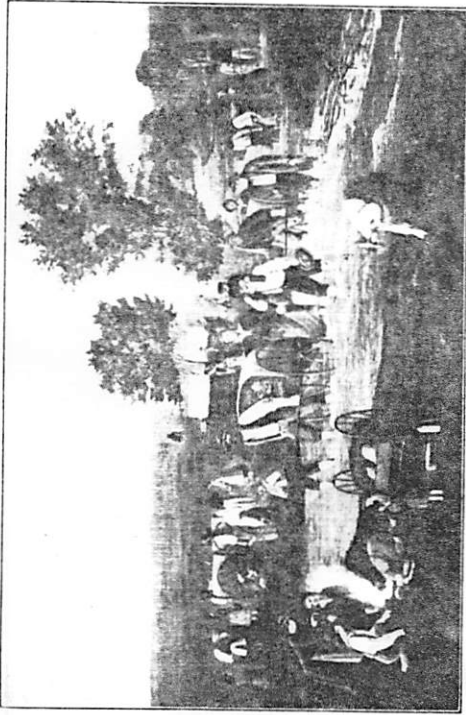
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HANDCART FAMILY, BY F. S. KNAPHUS

THE HANDCARTS

The handcarts consisted of two wheels with thimbleless axles and a framework overlaid with boards, constituting the box of the cart. The framework extended in front with a crossbar by which the cart could be pulled. The length of the side pieces and shafts was about six or seven feet. The supplies were strapped on to the frame of the cart. Often 400 to 500 pounds of flour, bedding, cooking utensils, and clothing were carried on one cart. However, only seventeen pounds of personal luggage was allowed each person.



A HAND CART COMPANY.



The Ox-Teams and Hand-Carts at Independence Park

From a painting by George Ottinger

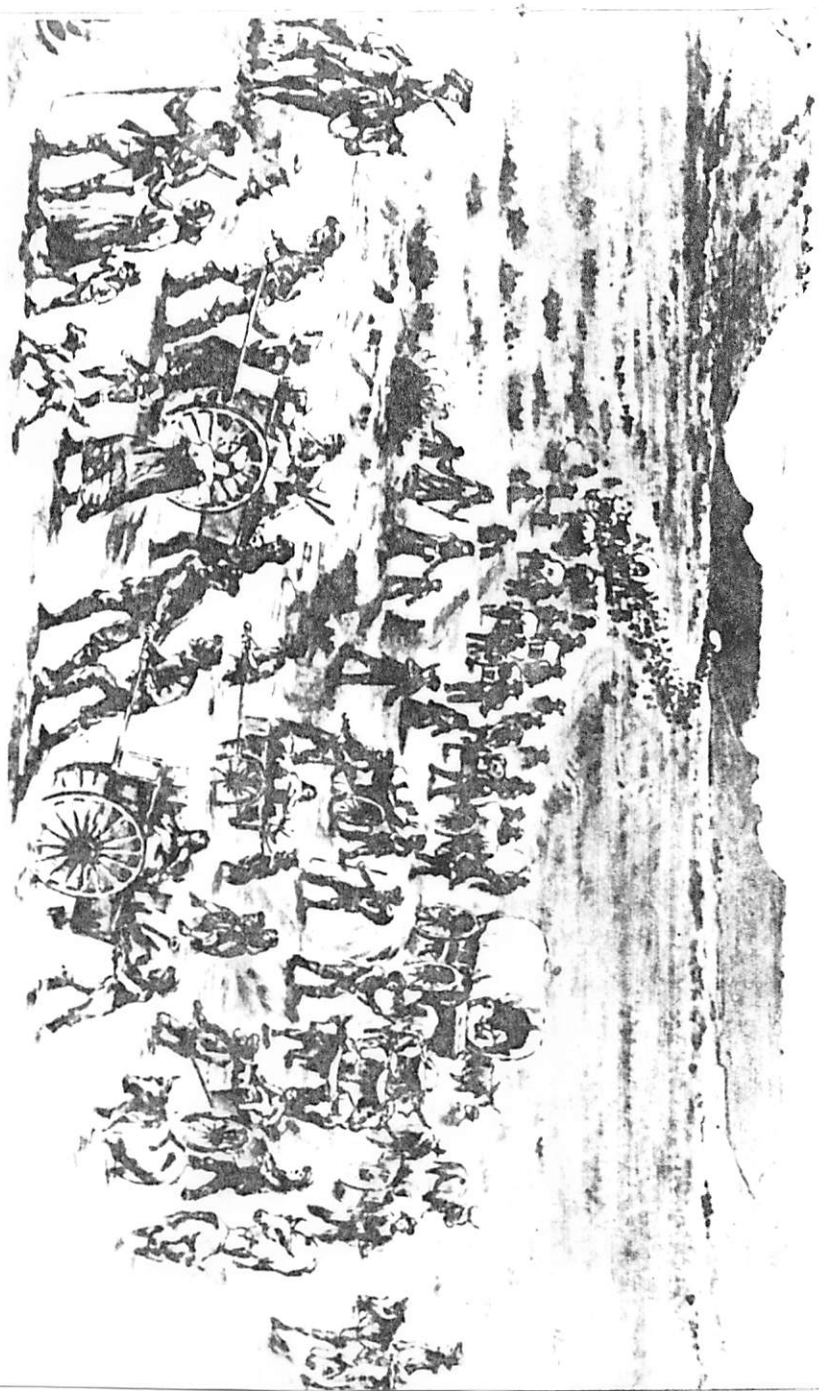


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